

comments on certain types of applications or notices ("applications") pending before the OTS. It applies whenever a regulation incorporates the procedures in this subpart, or where otherwise required by the OTS.

§ 516.110 Who may submit a written comment?

Any person ("you") may submit a written comment supporting or opposing an application.

§ 516.120 What information should I include in my comment?

(a) Your comment should recite relevant facts, including any demographic, economic, or financial data, supporting your position. If you file a comment opposing an application, your comment should also:

(1) Address at least one of the reasons a relevant regulation lists as to why the OTS may deny an application;

(2) Recite any relevant facts and supporting data addressing these reasons; and

(3) Address how the approval of the application could harm you or any community.

(b) If you wish to request an informal meeting under § 516.170, you must file a request with your comment. You should describe the nature of the issues or facts to be discussed and the reasons why written submissions are insufficient to adequately address these facts or issues.

§ 516.130 Where do I file my comment?

You must file your comment with the OTS office(s) set forth at § 516.1(c). If you request an informal meeting under § 516.170, you must simultaneously send a copy of the request to the applicant.

§ 516.140 When do I file my comment?

(a) *General.* Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, you must file a written comment with the OTS within 25 days after the application is filed with the OTS.

(b) *Late-filed comments.* The OTS will consider your late-filed comment if:

(1) Within the comment period, you demonstrate to the OTS good cause why you could not submit a timely comment; and

(2) The OTS concludes that your comment addresses a significant regulatory concern and will assist in disposing of the application.

§ 516.150 Will I have additional opportunities to discuss the application?

The OTS may provide you with additional opportunities to discuss the application in informal or formal meetings under subpart D of this part.

Subpart D—Meeting Procedures

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§ 516.160 What does this subpart do?

This subpart contains informal and formal meeting procedures. It applies whenever a regulation incorporates the procedures in this subpart, or when otherwise required by the OTS.

§ 516.170 What procedures govern informal meetings on applications?

(a) *When will the OTS arrange an informal meeting?* The OTS may arrange an informal meeting with the applicant, commenters, or any other interested persons to clarify and narrow the issues and to facilitate the resolution of the issues. If a commenter has filed a written request for an informal meeting containing the information described at § 516.120(b), the OTS will arrange an informal meeting. The OTS also may arrange an informal meeting on its own initiative.

(b) *What action will the OTS take on an informal meeting request?* The OTS will inform the applicant and commenters requesting an informal meeting of the OTS decision on a request for an informal meeting, or of its decision to hold an informal meeting on its own initiative.

(c) *How will the OTS inform the informal meeting participants of the date, time, location and format for the informal meeting?* The OTS will invite the applicant and the commenter filing the request for the informal meeting. The OTS may also invite any other interested persons to attend. The OTS will inform the participants of the date, time, location, and format for the informal meeting a reasonable time in advance of the informal meeting.